

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A laser diode driving device of the present invention can appropriately shorten the rising time and the falling time of a laser diode drive current in a range from a small current region to a large current region.

- 5 In synchronization with the addition of an original input current from an input constant current source to the laser diode drive current amplifier, a differentiated current is added to the input current through a differentiation circuit and a pull-in type V-I conversion circuit, whereby the rising of a laser diode drive current is made abrupt. Furthermore, by
- 10 increasing a gate potential of an input PchMOS transistor constituting the laser diode drive current amplifier by a differentiation circuit and a push-out type V-I conversion circuit in synchronization with the disconnection of an input current, the falling of a laser diode drive current is made abrupt.